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GROUP ART UNIT 1797**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed within the shortened statutory period for response to the Office action mailed on September 9, 2008. The Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the amendments even though after Final. The amendments will help focus the claims, will simplify examination, and better place the claims in condition for allowance.

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